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# WITHDRAWAL NOTICE



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## WITHDRAWAL OF PREVIOUSLY SENT NOTICE

The Notice of Abandonment mailed on 09/09/2002 was sent in error and is hereby withdrawn. A Notice is enclosed. The time period for reply runs from the mail date of the Notice. The Office regrets any inconvenience the error may have caused.

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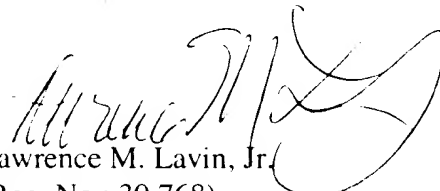
In response to the Notice to Comply Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted dated July 13, 2000, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Copy of Notice to Comply of Nonprovisional Application - mailed on January 15, 2003;
2. Response to Notice to comply;
3. (CRF) Replacement Copy of Sequence Listing;
4. Statement Regarding Sequence Submission;
5. Certificate of Mailing for Statement Regarding Sequence Submission;
6. Certificate of Mailing for Response to Notice to Comply; and
7. a return-receipt prepaid postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached prepaid postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents and be returned to us as soon as possible. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit account No. 13-4125, referencing matter number 38-21(15444)C. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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